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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

Sir:

1. You have asked for my reaction to Mr. Knoche's memorandum of 7 May, entitled "Lacunae". My first reaction was to the title.
2. The memorandum treats three separate matters. The first two involve the developing of a specific channel outlined in directives to be signed by you for obtaining, in one case, advice and data from the Internal Revenue Service and, in the second case, for obtaining approval for wiretaps from the Attorney General. As a result of Mr. Knoche's proposals on these two matters, tripartite conversations among Messrs. Knoche, Warner, and Kane have taken place. It is the unanimous consensus that before taking any further action, we should await the report of the Presidential Commission. All agree that any action at this time might be premature.
3. The third point, also quite properly raised by Mr. Knoche, is why your directives of 8/29/73 and 6/74 have not been incorporated in Agency regulations. I have caused conversations to be held within all four Directorates on this matter and a report giving you advice or action on the conversion of directives to regulations is now being prepared for you.

/s/ John F. Blake

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cc: Asst. to the DCI/CIA (Mr. Knoche)
General Counsel
Director of Security

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